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## WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATONS BUREAU

## NEW ENGLAND (REGION 19) 700 MHz PUBLIC SAFETY PLANNING COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES PLANNING MEETING

The Region 19 (New England) 700 MHz Public Safety Regional Planning Committee will hold its 18<sup>th</sup> meeting on Tuesday, March 8, 2005 from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00p.m. at the Connecticut Fire Academy, 34 Perimeter Road, Windsor Locks, Connecticut.

The purpose of this meeting is to continue developing a Regional plan to meet the needs of the 700 MHz spectrum users including public safety, public health, emergency management and utility services.

The Region 19 700 MHz Public Safety Planning Committee meeting is open to the public. All eligible public safety providers whose sole purpose or principal purpose is to protect the safety of life, health, or property in Region 19¹ would utilize these frequencies. It is essential that participants be representatives of all eligible public safety providers in order to ensure that each agency's future spectrum needs are considered in the allocation process. Administrators who are not oriented in the communications field should delegate someone with this knowledge to attend, participate and represent their agency's needs.

All interested parties wishing to participate in the planning for the use of new public safety spectrum in the 700 MHz band and/or the newly allocated 4.9 GHz band within Region 19 should plan to attend. For further information, please contact the Region 19 Chairman or Vice Chairman listed below or vistit the Committee web site at <a href="https://www.NER700MHZ.org">www.NER700MHZ.org</a>:

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Region 19 consists six states, of Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, and Connecticut

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